Prison work crews clear the path for government employees

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Commissioner, J. David Donahue



Indianapolis Men's Work Release work crew shovel snow outside the Government Center, Downtown Indianapolis

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Indianapolis, Indiana – (February 13, 2007) – Today, Commissioner J. David Donahue and the Indiana Department of Correction assisted the Indiana Department of Administration by offering work crews to assist in clearing the snow covered grounds of the Government Center complex so employees could enter and exit the building safely. Offenders from Indianapolis Men's Community Re-entry Center shoveled snow through the sleet Tuesday morning around the Government complex.

Recognizing that the local weather conditions were poor, Commissioner J. David Donahue called the Department of Administration to offer offender services. The Department of Administration Director, Carrie Henderson readily accepted Commissioner Donahue's offer for snow removal and salt dispersal.

"IDOA facilities maintenance crews work very hard to keep the Government Center campus clear of snow and ice," said Commissioner Henderson. "Our crews worked through the night and continue to work in today's changing conditions. Commissioner Donahue's offer has helped us keep up with this winter storm."

"I am always pleased when we were able to offer our services to the state government campus," said Donahue. "Lending a helping hand during hazardous weather conditions which threaten public safety is an issue that we take seriously."

Indiana Department of Correction offender work crew services are offered around the state for many projects, from storm clean and road side debris removal, to Indiana War Memorial green space maintenance. For more information on requesting work crew improvement projects in your local communities, please contact the Indiana Department of Correction, Deputy Commissioner of Administration, Bruce Lemmon at 317.232.5723.

About the Department of Correction

The Department employs over 8,000 employees and houses 24,000 adult and juveniles in 32 facilities, ranging from minimum to maximum custody, prison camps, juvenile facilities and work release centers. The Department's home page on the Internet can be found at: http://www.in.gov/indcorrection. The Department's Re-entry Site can be found: http://www.reentry.in.gov.